



# Outreach and Engagement Updates

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# Roles and Responsibilities



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# Outreach and Engagement Branches

- Systems Integrity Safety Program (SISP)
  - Collaboration w/industry to achieve compliance
- Outreach and Engagement Team
  - Newly assigned Chief & Director for O & E
  - 10 Community Liaisons across the country
  - Present on 49 CFR Topics, Safety, Grants
  - Emergency Response Outreach
  - Tribal Outreach
  - Underserved Community Outreach
  - Attend & Assist with inspections and MASFOs



# Recent Activities



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# Recent Activities

- ERG Release
- 2024 First Quarter Engagements
  - 4 Conferences, 7 LEPC mtgs, 5 Interagency mtgs, 2 MASFOs, 2 Exercises, 1 Tribal, 4 Industry/Stakeholder
  - 1 Group training, 1 Future training working group
- Hawaii Outreach
  - 30 PHMSA attendees
- Carlsbad, NM MASFO
  - 14 PHMSA attendees
  - 7 Interagency involvement



# Upcoming Activities



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# Upcoming Activities

- Cold Zone Hazmat Conference
  - Minnesota – May 8<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup>
- MultiModal Event
  - Indiana – September 9<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup>
  - Exercise with Indiana Dept. of Administration
- International Hazmat Summit
  - October 15<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup>



# Enforcement

- Enforcement trends
  - Lithium-Ion Batteries, especially DDR
  - Classification and marking for DOT spec cylinders
  - E-commerce shippers – butane, nitrous oxide, undeclared and unauthorized packaging
- Common trends
  - Training not conducted or documented
  - Improper closures
  - Registrations – expired or unregistered
  - Shipping papers





# Community Liaisons

## Outreach and Engagement

- **Director** - Marc Nichols, [Marc.Nichols@dot.gov](mailto:Marc.Nichols@dot.gov)
- **Chief** - Clayton Hatfield, [Clayton.Hatfield@dot.gov](mailto:Clayton.Hatfield@dot.gov)
- **Vielka Moreno**, [Vielka.Moreno@dot.gov](mailto:Vielka.Moreno@dot.gov)
- **Nii Sampah**, [Nii.Sampah@dot.gov](mailto:Nii.Sampah@dot.gov)

## Central Region

- IA, IN, IL, KS, MI, MN, MO, ND, NE, SD, WI
- **Dan Richards**, [Daniel.Richards@dot.gov](mailto:Daniel.Richards@dot.gov)
- **Vacant**

## Southern Region

- AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, PR, SC, TN, USVI
- **Vacant**

## Eastern Region

- CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VA, VT, WV
- **Vacant**

## Southwest Region

- AR, LA, NM, OK, TX
- **Mayra Ramos**, [Mayra.Ramos@dot.gov](mailto:Mayra.Ramos@dot.gov)
- **Mike Senigo**, [Michael.Senigo@dot.gov](mailto:Michael.Senigo@dot.gov)

## Western Region

- AK, AS, AZ, CA, CO, HI, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY, Guam
- **Evelyn Yang**, [Evelyn.Yang@dot.gov](mailto:Evelyn.Yang@dot.gov)
- **Wayne Lalicon**, [Wayne.Lalicon@dot.gov](mailto:Wayne.Lalicon@dot.gov)



# HMEP GRANTS UPDATES



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# HMEP Updates

## **2024 HMEP Conference**

- Held August 20-21.
  - Tysons Corner, VA.
  - August 19 is travel day.
- “Save The Date” email will be sent week of April 29.
- Anyone interested in presenting in a break out session please reach out to Carla Sheppard.
  - [Carla.Sheppard@dot.gov](mailto:Carla.Sheppard@dot.gov), (202)689-9818.



# HMEP Updates

- Possible Reimplementation of Offset
  - FY 2025 -2027 Performance Period would begin offset of grant funding.
- NASTTPO HMEP working group will be developed to ensure efficiency and effectiveness to grantees and the grant program.
  - Looking to offset the beginning of the performance period.



# HMEP Reminders

- Midyear Reporting
  - Federal Financial Report (FFR) due by **April 30**
- Continuing Application Reviews: **April through May**
  - Respond to any pushback received in a timely manner.
- Year three awards
  - Will be released in **September 2024**



# HMEP Reminders

- Quarterly Drawdowns (Reimbursement Requests)
  - Mandatory requirement of HMEP award.
- Must submit a SF270 form with each reimbursement request
  - If you need the form contact [HMEP.grants@dot.gov](mailto:HMEP.grants@dot.gov).
- FY 2022 Annual FFR and Progress Reports
  - If you have not submitted the reports please do so as soon as possible.





